

REMARKS

5 Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Examiner asserts that IDS Form-1449 was missing in the previously submitted Information Disclosure Statement. Attached is the IDS Form-1449 for the Examiner's initials.

10 Claim 14 was objected to due to informalities. These informalities have now been corrected.

Claim 14 was rejected under Section 112. Claim 14 has now been amended to fully conform to Section 112.

15 Claims 1-14 were rejected under Section 103 as being obvious over applicant's admitted prior art (APA) over Yu. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

20 To summarize the present invention, it is an effective method for ensuring that the mobile terminal is using the preferred network in a roaming situation to prevent the mobile terminal, when started up or re-initialized, from switching back to the most recently used network when this network is different from the preferred network. In conventional systems, when the mobile phones are re-initialized in a new GSM session, the mobile phone will use the network stored in the EF_{locr} where it was last registered. 25 The last registered network may not be the same as the preferred network. The method of the present invention takes care of this problem so that the most preferred network is used even if the mobile terminal is started up or re-initialized and the information contained in the second file (such as EF_{locr}) is different from the preferred network.

30 It is submitted that none of the cited references teach or suggest these features.

35 For example, the cited APA merely discloses the situation where the mobile phone automatically switches to whatever network is stored in the EF_{locr} when it is started up

or re-initialized for a new GSM session. The conventional phones automatically do this although the most recently used network is different from the preferred network. The background information of the current application discusses 5 the problems that occur when remotely changed values of EF_{loci} and other refresh commands are used because the mobile phone will switch back to the more recently used mobile network whenever the mobile phone is started up or re-initialized. However, the cited APA does not provide any solution. This is 10 one of the problems solved by the method of the present invention and it is submitted that the solution is not taught or suggested in the APA or any other cited reference such as Yu.

On page 6, lines 10-13, APA teaches that the roaming 15 server makes the phone select a better network. However, as explained on page 7, lines 32-35, this does not solve the problem of the phone going back to the network contained in the EF_{loci} whenever the phone is turn off/on or reinitialized.

Yu also fails to teach or suggest the features of 20 the amended claim 1. Applicant fails to see why a person of ordinary skill in the art would look to APA, Yu or any other cited reference to learn the concept of the dynamic roaming client moving the subscriber, after the re-initialization of the network connection, to the preferred network regardless of 25 and overriding the default selection of the most recently used network contained in the second file.

In view of the above, the amended claim 1 is submitted to be allowable.

Claims 2-14 are submitted to be allowable because 30 they depend upon the allowable base claim 1 and because each claim includes limitations that are not taught or suggested in the cited references.

The new claim 15 does not include new matter and is 35 allowable because it depends upon the allowable base claim 1 and because the claim includes limitations that are not taught

or suggested in the cited references.

The application is submitted to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

5 Respectfully submitted,

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